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(b) what amount is spent by each of them;
(c) whether any local bodies give any grants to libraries;
(d) if so, which of them; and
(e) what the amount is?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) Information has been called for.
(*c*), (*d*) & (*e*) Local bodies make contribution to libraries under other management with the sanction of Government. Such contributions are sanctioned only from year to year on the application of local bodies.

Municipal Councils

Nomination to the Tenali Municipality.

* 1652 *Q.*—Mr. P. Anjaneyulu: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) for how long a nominated seat in the Municipal Council, Tenali, has been vacant;

(*b*) the reasons for not filling it up till now;

(*c*) whether Christians and Adi-Andhras have made any, and if so, what representations for having the nomination given to one of their community; and

(*d*) when the Government intend publishing the nomination and whether they will nominate an Adi-Andhra?

A.—(*a*) & (*d*) 26th October 1928 to 19th February 1929. The appointment of the Rev. V. McCauley, D.D., was notified on 19th February 1929.
(*b*) There was no delay in the matter other than that inseparable from the formalities to be observed in making the above appointment.
(*c*) One Indian Christian (depressed classes) and another depressed class candidate applied for the appointment.

Mr. D. Narayana Raju:—"May I know why no Adi-Andhra was nominated to the vacant seat?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"There is an Adi-Andhra."

Religious and Charitable Endowments

Amending Bill to the Hindu Religious Endowments Act.

* 1653 *Q.*—Mr. C. N. Muthuranga Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a draft Bill to amend the Hindu Religious Endowments Act has been prepared by the Government;

(*b*) the reasons for the delay in introducing the Bill to amend the Hindu Religious Endowments Act; and

(*c*) when the Government propose to introduce the Bill?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No Bill has been prepared by the Government but a draft Bill submitted by the Hindu Religious Endowments Board is under scrutiny.
(*c*) It is not possible to announce a definite date; but the Bill will be introduced as early as practicable.

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Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR :—" May I know from the hon. Minister when this Bill was made ready by the Religious Endowments Board and for how long it has been under the scrutiny of the Government ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" It is now, as I said yesterday, in the hands of the Law (Drafting) Department."

Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR :—" That is no answer to my question."

Arms and Explosives

Issue of licences to shooting clubs.

* 1654 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of shooting clubs to which licences have been granted under rule 32 of the Indian Arms Rules ; and

(*b*) what the conditions of these licences are ?

A.—(*a*) Four.

(*b*) The conditions are printed in the form of licence of which a copy is appended [a].

Depressed Classes

Aid to Depressed Classes for improving the lands assigned to them.

* 1655 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that only a small portion of the land assigned to Adi-Dravidas in South Kanara has been brought under cultivation ; and

(*b*) if so, what steps the Government propose to take to help the Adi-Dravidas in improving the land assigned to them ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to paragraph 64 of the Administration Report of the Labour Department for 1927–28. The question whether the Adi-Dravidas in the South Kanara district should be given lands free of assessment for the first few years is under the consideration of Government.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" May I know whether the Government are contemplating any other steps to help these people in improving the lands assigned to them ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" No, Sir."

Emigration.

Recruitment of labourers from this province.

* 1656 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total number of persons recruited as labourers from this province ;

[a] Printed as Appendix V on pages 459–460 infra.